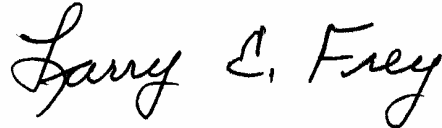


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**Agricultural Resource  
Conservation Program  
2-CRP (Revision 4)**

**Oregon CRP Amendment 4**

**Approved by:**        **Larry E. Frey, State Executive Director**



**Amendment Transmittal**

**A       Reason for Amendment**

To correct errors on pages 1-2.5 and 7-8.6. Oregon procedure incorrectly referenced the wrong item on the CRP-2C, which was used to calculate the CREP Cumulative Impact Bonus.

To update subparagraph lettering in paragraph 3.

To update the list of FSA County Offices, as found in Oregon Exhibit 25. Changes were made to the Douglas and Jackson/Josephine County Offices.

**B       Complete Section, Part, and Exhibit Reprint**

Even though only part of section 7 is being amended, the entire section will be converted to the new revised handbook format. Section 1 does not need to be reformatted.

The major changes are listed above in paragraph A.

Because of reformatting, page 7-8.8 and page 7-8.9 were eliminated. No procedure was eliminated.

Page Control Chart		
TC	Text	Exhibit
	1-2.5 through 1-2.6 7-8 7-8.2 through 7-8.7 7-8.8 through 7-8.9 (Remove) 7-94	OR Exhibit 25, Page 1 to 2



**3 Authority, Program Objective, and Emphasis, (Continued)**

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**D  
CREP Emphasis  
Continued**

Portions of each of the following counties are approved to administer CREP provisions on land located in the state of Oregon.

- Baker
- Clackamas/Multnomah
- Coos/Curry
- Crook/Deschutes/Jefferson
- Douglas
- Gilliam/Wheeler
- Grant
- Harney
- Jackson/Josephine
- Klamath
- Lake
- Lane
- Linn/Benton/Lincoln
- Malheur
- Marion
- Morrow
- Polk
- Sherman
- Tillamook/Clatsop
- Umatilla
- Union
- Wallowa
- Wasco/Hood River
- Washington/Columbia
- Yamhill

The CREP offers a cumulative impact incentive payment at a rate of four times the weighted average soil rental rate (block \*--15--\* of Form CRP-2C) to a participant where a total of at least 50 percent of the streambank within a 5-mile stream segment are enrolled. (See paragraph 153).

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**3 Authority, Program Objective, and Emphasis, (Continued)**

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**\*--E--\*****Oregon State CREP  
Incentive**

The State of Oregon through OWEB will provide additional cost share incentives to CREP participants. Participants will receive the State cost share incentives in addition to Federal CRP cost share payments.

Oregon State will provide cost share in the amount of an additional 25 percent of eligible costs of the reimbursable practices. This is authorized by the CREP agreement.

**NOTE:** Producers will not receive more cost share payments than out of pocket expenses to implement practices.

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**153 Maximum Payment Rates (Continued)**

**C Maintenance Provision**

The STC has established the following maintenance rates for the CRP program in Oregon.

Maintenance rates for standard CRP is \$5 regardless of practice.



## 153 Maximum Payment Rates (Continued)

**D Establishing and Posting IRR's for Irrigated Land For CREP**

1999 IRR's shall be approved by DAFP at levels that reflect:

- the average cash rental rate per acre paid for irrigated cropland for the USGS 8-Digit Hydrologic Unit Area (HUA) watersheds during the years 1996 through 1998.

**Very Important:** IRR's shall only be set at levels that reflect local rental rates for land planted to the following small grains and row crops:

- HAY AND SILAGE CROPS
- FIELD SEED CROPS
- WHEAT
- CORN, (EXCLUDING SWEET CORN)
- SORGHUM
- OTHER SMALL GRAINS AND BEANS
- IRISH POTATOES

**Note:** IRR's shall not reflect rental values for vegetable acreage and specialty crop acreage.

- for watersheds where share rents are the most common, enter the cash equivalent of share rent as determined by the COC.
- uniformity within watersheds regardless of county boundary, general consistency across all watershed boundaries, and rental values, which are generally not less than would be provided under dryland SRR determinations.

**Note:** Different IRR's shall not be established based on county boundaries, one or more IRR's must be established to be applicable for each watershed.

**Dual IRR Option:** For watersheds with significant variability of market irrigated rental rates, STC, with NRCS concurrence and DAFP approval, is authorized to establish two or more IRR's within a watershed based on criteria that provides for concise, timely, geographically-based IRR delineation and determinations.

If 2 or more irrigated rental rates are established within the same HUA, the specific criteria for each rate must be noted and posted on the county IRR table.

**153 Maximum Payment Rates (Continued)****E CREP IRR Establishment**

1999 IRR's shall be established and posted in the County Office until further notice.

1999 IRR's shall be:

- Approved by DAFP then posted in a public place within county offices, and entered into the electronic database. The IRR's for all watersheds are effective on or after October 1, 1998.

**Note:** Dryland SRR's shall not be withdrawn when IRR's are posted regardless of whether there is any dryland cropping in the county.

- Identified by "soil survey number" and "soil map unit symbol". STC's shall recommend at least one IRR for each 8-digit Hydrologic Unit Area (HUA) watershed and assign pseudo soils symbols to each based on the last 5 digits of the HUA number and an alphabetic sequence number beginning with the letter "I" designating an IRR.

**For example:** To establish only one IRR for the watershed 17070204 the "soil map unit symbol" would be 70204I. When 3 SRR's are to be established for the same watershed under the dual SRR provisions they would have the symbols 70204I, 70204J, and 70204K.

- The FSA State office with NRCS State office concurrence shall recommend IRR "map unit symbols" to DAFP for approval. A complete set of state rates shall be forwarded to each county FSA office and state and local NRCS offices.
- Revised in future years as directed by DAFP.

**Note:** Only DAFP has the authority to adjust dryland SRR's and IRR's.

- When approved by DAFP, label the IRR as "Approved 1999 CREP IRR's". The dryland SRR's which STC's are developing shall also be labeled "Approved **Dryland** SRR's" before posting in county offices to help minimize confusion and mistakes.
- Loaded into the county S/36 automated soil rental rate table if directed by the State FSA Office. Although STC may issue IRR's applicable for the entire State to each County, County offices are only required to load into the system IRR's for watersheds which exists within the borders of the county.

**Note:** Refer to Oregon Exhibit 34 for a map of IRR in Oregon.



## 153 Maximum Payment Rates (Continued)

**F Determining Dryland SRR & Irrigated Land IRR Applicability**

Payment rate calculations for all cropland and marginal pastureland offered under the Oregon State CREP shall be based on the posted dryland SRR's except for those fields determined by COC as qualifying for IRR's. To qualify for IRR's, COC's shall ensure fields meet all the following criteria:

- For cropland: evidence of planting and surface water irrigation at rates not less than ½ acre foot/year, or prevented planting as approved by the COC, for 4 of the crop years covering the same 6 year period used to determine cropland eligibility (see paragraph 112).

**Exception:** COC's are authorized to determine eligible for IRR drip/trickle systems used to irrigate annually tilled crops.

**Exception:** COC may approve irrigated hay in rotation on cropland as eligible for the IRR.

**Note:** Fields shall not be given irrigated crop history credit under considered planted provisions of CRP or annual program contracts. No irrigated history credit shall be provided for expired, cancelled, or active CRP contract periods regardless of irrigation history before the contracts went into effect.

- Acceptable evidence that the field is capable of producing crops or pasture forage with surface irrigation water from on or off-farm sources at the time the offer is submitted.

Ineligible fields are as follows, based upon a determination of the COC:

- Fields for which water rights, irrigation equipment and/or facilities, or legal constraints that no longer allow for surface water irrigated production do not qualify for IRR's.
- Fields on which producers apply irrigation water primarily to qualify for IRR's as determined by COC are not eligible for irrigated SRR's.

**Note:** Except for prevented planted provisions, fields shall only qualify for IRR's provided the actual 4 out of 6 year crop planting/pasture and substantial irrigation evidence criteria is met.

**153 Maximum Payment Rates (Continued)****F Determining Dryland SRR & Irrigated Land IRR Applicability (Continued)**

Ineligible fields are as follows, based upon a determination of the COC:

- Portions of irrigated fields which receive little or no irrigation water including center-pivot corners and significant high spots on gravity-flow systems shall not qualify for IRR's. Separate CRP-1's and CRP-2C's shall be prepared for these areas using dryland SRR's.

**Note:** Fields on which subirrigation or other water table management measures are implemented which does not entail applying irrigation water to the surface of the field do not qualify for IRR's.

- Fields that do not have certificated or decreed irrigation water rights issued by the Oregon Water Resources Department (OWRD) do not qualify for IRR rates.
- Producers who irrigate using on-farm ground water shall not qualify for IRR.
- Landowners that do not perfect the water right lease on CREP acres, the affected acreage will not qualify for irrigated rental rates.

**Notes:** COC's shall not approve any IRR payments for contracts for fields which the District Water Master determines do not have leaseable water rights. COC will approve payments based on SRR in accordance with handbook procedure.

Before payments are issued, notify producers that their water right lease is not in effect & they will receive the dryland rental rate.

A revised contract will be perfected prior to contract approval in accordance with 2-CRP procedure.

COC's may delegate authority to make determinations for IRR eligibility to the CED.

**G CREP Marginal Pastureland**

For CREP, COFs shall use the IRR (found in OR. Exhibit 34) for irrigated marginal pastureland.

The COF shall use the seasonal or perennial marginal pastureland rates for non-irrigated CREP marginal pastureland. The rates can be found in Oregon Exhibit 38.

**153 Maximum Payment Rates (Continued)****H CREP Cumulative Impact Incentive Payment Policy**

A cumulative impact incentive payment shall be made to active CREP participants when a minimum of 50 percent of the streambank within a 5-mile stream segment (26,400 linear feet) are enrolled into CREP.

**Note:** Only acreage enrolled under CREP shall be used to determine eligibility toward the cumulative impact incentive payment.

The cumulative impact incentive payment shall be equal to four times the basic annual rental rate (rental rate per acre offered item \*--15--\* of the CRP-2C) for each acre enrolled. Landowners shall be eligible for the cumulative impact incentive payment through the end of calendar year 2007.

The cumulative impact incentive payment shall be issued upon contract approval by the COC if eligible under the 50 percent rule.

COCs shall document in the COC minutes the producers who were determined eligible for cumulative impact incentive payments. A copy of the COC minutes shall be filed in the producer's program file.

The following is an example.

Tract xxx Producers X & Y, located on the North Fork of the Yamhill River are approved for the cumulative impact incentive payments because together the lineal feet of streambank enrolled in CREP is equal to/or more than the minimum of 26,400 linear feet in a five mile segment (52,800 linear feet).

The following are examples of whether a producer meets the criteria for the cumulative impact incentive payments.

Examples:

<b>Cumulative Impact Enrollment</b>	<b>Incentive Payment Stream Segment</b>	<b>Eligible for Incentive Payment</b>
2 miles, 1 or both sides of stream (21,120 ft)	5 miles (52,800 ft)	No
2 ½ miles, both sides of stream (26,400 ft)	5 miles (52,800 ft)	Yes
3 miles, both sides of stream (31,680 ft)	6 miles (63,360 ft) (meets minimum of 26,400 ft)	Yes
4 miles, 1 side of stream (42,240 ft)	4 miles (42,240 ft) (meets minimum of 26,400 ft)	Yes

**153 Maximum Payment Rates (Continued)****I Maximum Payment Limitation**

The maximum payment an eligible “person” can receive for annual rental payments, CRP-SIP, CRP-PIP, maintenance payments, and the cumulative impact incentive payment is \$50,000 per fiscal year. The maximum does not include cost-share payments. This maximum includes payments for all three programs - CRP, Continuous CRP, and CREP.

**J Deadlines**

The last day that producers can earn the cumulative impact incentive payment is December 31, 2007.

**Example 1:**

Producer A enrolls 10,560 ft of stream bank on 1/15/99. At that time, Producer A is not eligible for the cumulative impact incentive payment because it takes a minimum of 26,400 feet to be eligible, which is 50% of five miles (52,800 feet). Producer A talks to neighbor, Producer B. Producer B enrolls 15,840 ft of streambank into CREP on 12/31/00. In January of 2000, after the FSA COC approves the CRP-1 contract, the one time cumulative impact incentive payment could be paid to both Producer A and Producer B because they have at least the 26,400 feet required to meet the minimum.

**Example 2:**

Producer C enrolls land next to producers A and B (from Example 1). Producer C would be eligible for the cumulative impact incentive payment for this land, since producers A and B already meet the length requirement for the cumulative impact incentive payment.

**Example 3:**

Three producers come in today and enroll both sides of 2.5 miles of a 5-mile stream segment. The COC could pay the one time cumulative impact incentive payment, after the CRP-1 contract is approved by the County FSA Committee.

**Note:** Only acreage enrolled under CREP shall be used to determine eligibility toward the cumulative impact incentive payment.

**196 Completing CRP-2 (Continued)**

**A About CRP-2**

The Oregon STC established maintenance rates for CRP and CREP can be found in paragraph 124 and 153.



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Baker	Josh Hanning	3990 Midway Drive Baker City, OR 97814-1453	(541) 523-7121	(541) 523-2184
Clackamas/Multnomah	Ralph Meyer	256 Warner Milne Oregon City, OR 97045-4096	(503) 655-3144	(503) 656-3143
Coos/Curry	Bret Harris	376 N. Central Boulevard Coquille, OR 97423-1244	(541) 396-4323	(541) 396-5106
Deschutes/Crook/ Jefferson	Cameron Kirsch	625 SE Salmon Avenue Suite 3 Redmond, OR 97756-9580	(541) 923-4358	(541) 923-4713
Douglas	Pam Davis	2440 NW Troost Street Suite 201 Roseburg, OR 97470	(541) 673-6071	(541) 672-3818
Gilliam/Wheeler	Kristen Bingaman	333 S. Oregon PO Box 467 Condon, OR 97823-0467	(541) 384-4251	(541) 384-2288
Grant	Tom Falvey	721 S. Canyon Boulevard John Day, OR 97845-1054	(541) 575-1274	(541) 575-0646
Harney	Tom Falvey	HC 74, 12858 Highway 20W PO Box 1200 Hines, OR 97738-0908	(541) 573-6446	(541) 573-1740
Jackson/Josephine	Trenton Luschen	573 Parsons Drive, Suite 101 Medford, OR 97501-3795	(541) 776-4270	(541) 776-4295
Klamath	Jennifer Simon	2316 S. 6th Street Suite C Klamath Falls, OR 97601-4340	(541) 883-6924	(541) 882-9044
Lake	Marti Hamilton	HC 64, Box 18 Lakeview, OR 97630-9602	(541) 947-2367	(541) 947-2070
Lane	Jean Larkin	780 Bailey Hill Road Suite 5 Eugene, OR 97402-5451	(541) 465-6443	(541) 465-6483
Linn/Benton/Lincoln	Dan Sundseth	33630 McFarland Road Tangent, OR 97389-9627	(541) 967-5925	(541) 928-9345
Malheur	Ray Dunten	2925 SW 6th Avenue Ontario, OR 97914-0338	(541) 889-9689	(541) 889-4304
Marion	Tom Brewster	3867 Wolverine Building F, Suite 1 Salem, OR 97305-4267	(503) 399-5741	(503) 399-5799
Morrow	Skip Matthews	430 Heppner-Lexington HWY PO Box 786 Heppner, OR 97836-0786	(541) 676-9011	(541) 676-9624

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Sherman	Kevin MacIntyre	302 Scott Street PO Box 305 Moro, OR 97039-0305	(541) 565-3551	(541) 565-3414
Tillamook/Clatsop	Jim Worledge	6415 Signal Street Tillamook, OR 97141-9622	(503) 842-2848	(503) 842-2760
Umatilla	Kent Willett	1229 SE Third Avenue Pendleton, OR 97801-4197	(541) 278-8049	(541) 278-8048
Union	Jennifer Isley	10507 N McAllister Road Room 2 Island City, OR 97850-9801	(541) 963-4178	(541) 962-1022
Wallowa	Bill Williams	209 NW First Street PO Box 387 Enterprise, OR 97828-0387	(541) 426-4521	(541) 426-4789
Wasco/Hood River	Jim Bishop	2325 River Road The Dalles, OR 97058-3551	(541) 298-8559	(541) 296-7868
Washington/Columbia	Gail Stinnett	1080 SW Baseline Building B, Suite B-3 Hillsboro, OR 97123-3823	(503) 648-3174	(503) 681-9772
Yamhill	Darca Glasgow	2200 W Second Street McMinnville, OR 97128-9185	(503) 472-1474	(503) 472-2459

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